

An attack of the allies southeast of St. Mihiel broke down at the start under our fire.

"In the eastern theatre of war the situation is the same. Rainy, gloomy weather has prevented all fighting."

Paris Disputes Berlin Claim That 5,000 Were Slain at Soissons

LONDON, Jan. 14 (Associated Press).—The official announcement given out in Berlin relating to the capture of 5,200 French troops at Soissons and adding further that from 4,000 to 5,000 French dead were found after the battle concludes with the unusual assertion "this is the truth."

A wireless despatch from Paris, copied in London, categorically denies these German figures. It says the French troops engaged in the Soissons battle were less than three brigades, and that consequently the Berlin figures cannot be correct.

"As a matter of fact," the Government says, "the German attempt to make a great victory out of the Soissons engagement is entirely a feat of imagination. The retirement affected only three miles along our front and we retired only about a mile. We are still in uninterrupted possession of Soissons."

NAVAL BILL REPORTED CARRIES \$148,000,000

House Committee Adds \$8,492,000 to Estimate Presented—Speaks for Battleships.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Informally reporting the \$148,000,000 Naval Bill to the House today, the Naval Committee said that, while in the European war "the submarine has been effective in harbor and coast defense, it has not been able to control the sea as the superior battleship fleet has done, causing an enemy with an inferior battleship fleet to suffer great loss of merchant ships, blockade its ports and drive its commerce off the seas."

The committee reported that, therefore, the two-battleship programme had not been changed. It added that the "effectiveness of the submarine in the European war demonstrated it to be a naval weapon of great value," and that "the necessity for scouting purposes, likewise, has demonstrated its effectiveness." The bill probably will be reached for debate about Feb. 1. It carries an increase of \$8,492,000 in the building programme over what the Navy Department recommended.

The total number of vessels in the United States Navy on July 1, the report summarizes, was 296, with a total displacement of 1,484,547 tons, of which 236, with a displacement of 2,554,881 are "fit for service, including those under repair," the rest being under construction or authorized. Those listed as fit for service include 10 first line battleships, 32 second line battleships, 10 armored cruisers, 24 other cruisers, 9 monitors, 50 destroyers, 19 torpedo boats, 80 submarines and numerous other craft.

MYSTERY OVER SHOOTING.

Victim at Dance Did Not Even See Assassin.

Shot at a dance hall at No. 110 East Fifty-ninth Street last night, John Whalen of No. 407 East Eighty-third Street, who is in a critical condition in the Presbyterian Hospital, said today he did not see his assailant and knew of no reason why any one would want to shoot him.

Thomas Stevens of No. 38 East Fifty-first Street, a steam fitter, employed as a special policeman at the dance hall, is under arrest at the East Fifty-first Street Police Station. He was held after detectives and Assistant District Attorney Follette, investigating the shooting, had questioned numbers of the dancers. Stevens is charged with felonious assault. He was arrested at 3:30 A. M.

HE ADMITS FORGERY.

Pretty Girl's Pictures in Pockets of Bookkeeper.

Duncan R. Cameron of No. 102 West Ninety-second Street was arrested today at the office of his employer, Glen S. Porter, at No. 90 West Street, on a charge of forgery. He admitted at Police Headquarters he forged a check for \$500 last August.

Mr. Porter is Eastern agent for the Webster-Manning Building Co., of 1100 Third Ave., and employed Cameron as bookkeeper and confidential man.

Cameron said that on the day he forged the check, he was drawing the money for Mr. Porter's payroll and his pocket was picked as he was leaving the bank.

Cameron had in his pockets several photographs of a very pretty girl.

THEIR FAT NOT REAL.

Shiny Little Men Were Stuffed With 2500 Worth of Tobacco.

Joseph White, also recorded as Joseph Goldfarb, is a shifty fellow and has a long record as a shoplifter. He was walking down Fifth Avenue last yesterday when Detectives Hooker and Houser began to laugh at his appearance. His face was as lean and bony as a stick, but his mid-section stuck out like the bag of a war balloon. Similar was his companion, who calls himself Edward Walker.

At the Second Branch Detective Bureau the detectives opened the overcoats of the stolen men and one by one they took out a tin of 2500 worth of tobacco. Magistrate Freschi held them in \$1,000 bail each this morning for examination Monday at the Yorkville Court.

Testimonial for Justice Seabury. Signed by two hundred attaches of the Supreme Court, an illuminated testimonial on parchment was presented today to former Supreme Court Justice Samuel Seabury. In reply to the presentation speech of Frank McGuirk, Justice Seabury expressed his thanks and his high regard for the men he had worked with for eight years.

Burglary Concerns Called Bankrupt Creditors of the Progressive Circuit (Inc.), looking agents for burglar and similar shows, filed a petition in bankruptcy against the concern in the Federal District Court today. The estimated liabilities are \$75,000, with assets of \$25,000. The petitioning creditors are J. J. O'Connell, J. J. O'Connell and J. J. O'Connell, who own and operate the Progressive Circuit, 100 West 100th St., New York.

EIGHT TRANSPORTS CARRYING TURKS SUNK BY RUSSIANS

Petrograd Also Claims Another Big Victory for Czar in the Caucasus.

FIGHTING IN POLAND.

Russian Plan to Invade East Prussia Is Rapidly Developing.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 14.—Another sweeping Russian victory over the Turkish forces in the Caucasus was announced today. Eight transports conveying Turkish troops from Anatolia are reported to have been sunk by the Russian Black Sea fleet. Nothing is known of the fate of the troops, but it is believed many must have been drowned.

At the same time the Turkish Eleventh Army Corps and the remnants of the Tenth, who were endeavoring to reform in the vicinity of Kara Urgan, have been completely defeated. The fighting in the vicinity of Kara Urgan is declared by the official reports to have been desperate in character and to have resulted in enormous Turkish casualties.

The sixty-second Turkish Regiment was annihilated as the result of a Russian bayonet charge. The official report says that only the commandant and several of his officers and men were left alive and they were taken prisoners following the charge.

The total number of prisoners taken in this engagement to date exceeds 5,000. In addition there were captured fourteen guns, 10,000 head of cattle and an enormous quantity of supplies.

The situation in the north is also reported today to be developing rapidly. The Russian raiding forces, reported to be within fifty miles of the strong fortress of Thorn, are expected to effect a junction with the main army which has been operating against the east Prussian positions. This, it is believed here, will result in von Hindenburg being compelled to withdraw his forces from before Warsaw. Already there have been many evidences that the German offensive along the "four rivers" was being maintained chiefly to cover withdrawals of large portions of the main force.

It is now learned that the Germans have undertaken the defense of Hungary. At least one German first line corps has reached the front there to reinforce the Hungarian troops and others are said to be on the way. They are accompanied by an unusually large quantity of artillery, indicating that it is the intention of the Germans to wage chiefly a defensive campaign in this section.

BRIDGE-JUMPER KILLED AS HE STRIKES FLOAT

Every Bone in Body of Washington Bridge Victim Broken in Midnight Leap.

A man who leaped from the Washington Bridge at midnight and was dashed to death on a float anchored in the Marien River was identified early today as John Schieler, sixty-two years old, a tailor, living at No. 2183 Washington Avenue, the Bronx.

A son, Frederick, who made the identification, said he could imagine no reason for his father's act. He worked regularly and was in good health.

Schieler was first noticed by Frank K. Lake of No. 1731 Tappan Avenue, the Bronx, who was walking across the bridge. He was seated on a stone bench, but suddenly got up and climbed the four-foot stone parapet of the bridge. Lake grasped his shoulder, but was thrust back.

"Good-bye," Schieler said as he jumped. His body was found on a float moored at the Whitehouse Boat Club. Every bone had been broken.

WHEAT IN DOWNWARD DRIVE.

Fear of Export Embargo Makes Chicago Traders Hedge.

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—Wheat dropped five cents in the first fifteen minutes of today's session of the Board of Trade on reports that a Congressional movement was on foot to prohibit exports. Wheat, which closed at 11.45 yesterday, slid down to 11.40.

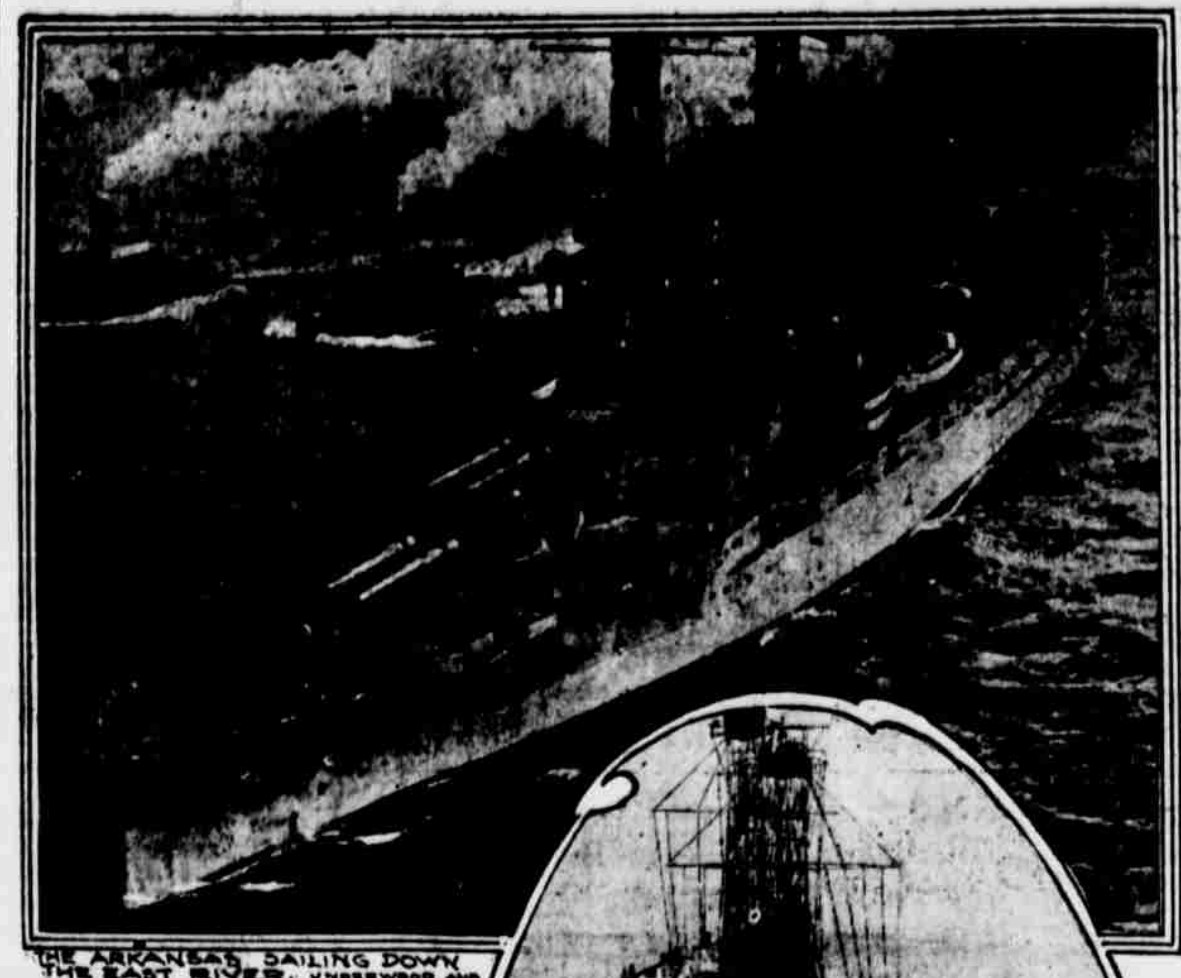
For a brief time the trading assumed an almost panicky aspect. A storm of stop loss orders from ill-protected bulls came on the market and found the pit temporarily without buyers.

At the extreme decline several of the larger houses began to purchase on a liberal scale. The result was a quick rally but only to about half the extent of the break. When comparative calm had been restored the May option was steadying around 11.42 1/2.

In the latter dealings generous export sales here and at the seaboard, including considerable amounts for ocean shipment in March, put relative firmness into the market. The close was unsettled at 11.40 to 11.42 under last night, with May at 11.41 1/2.

Threatened German Ambassador. TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 14.—Edwin Scott of Raymond, Wash., has been sentenced to six months in jail by Federal Judge Cushman for threatening the life of the German Ambassador, Count von Bernstorff. Scott admitted having written five letters to the Ambassador at Washington in which he made threats. These, he said, were "all true."

Battleships New York and Arkansas Steaming Down East River on Way to Hampton Roads



TWO BATTLESHIPS SAIL.

New York and Arkansas Quit Navy Yard for Hampton Roads.

The first class battleship New York left the Navy Yard at 8:40 A. M. today and the Arkansas at 10 A. M. for Hampton Roads. The Wyoming will follow to-morrow.

All three will take on ammunition and proceed to Guantanamo for target practice, after which the New York will return to Hampton Roads to take the President and party to the opening of the Panama Canal.

SILENT TREATMENT FOR GERMANS IN BRUSSELS

Bruxelloise, Even the Children, Turn Heads Away or Cross Street When Captors Approach.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 14 (Associated Press Correspondence).—The "silent treatment" of the German landsturm in this city by the Belgians is one of the most striking features of the situation here. It is spreading even to the children, who turn their heads away or cross the street whenever they see a German soldier approaching.

If a soldier enters a shop the Belgians either quit the building or move away as far as possible. If one of the landsturm enters a street car the Belgians leave, or else turn their eyes away. There are no words of greeting, no smiles, not the slightest look of recognition that the soldier is a human being.

Whether this is having any effect on the soldiers is not certain, but an American who today stopped a fine looking German soldier who was off duty and talked with him was surprised at what he heard.

"You are the first person who has spoken a civil word to me in this town for a month," said the soldier.

PRIEST INJURED IN AUTO.

Was Bravely Trying to Head Off Runaway Horse.

PINE BROOK, N. J., Jan. 14.—The Rev. James P. Ferguson, pastor of the Roman Catholic Church of Mount Hope, near here, is suffering from cuts and bruises received when his automobile plunged into a ditch and turned over yesterday. The priest was trying to run the car across the road to head off a runaway horse attached to a wagon.

LORD ROBERTS LEFT \$385,000

Estate of Field Marshal Goes to His Widow and Daughters.

LONDON, Jan. 14 (1.16 P. M.).—Field Marshal Lord Roberts, who died in France Nov. 14 of last year, left an estate of \$385,000, all of which goes to his widow and daughters. This amount is exclusive of property previously settled on his family by Lord Roberts.

200 PRIZES FOR EUCHRE.

More than two hundred prizes for the annual euchre of the Employees' Mutual Benefit Association of Cooperhewitt & Sons are on exhibition in the show windows of the store at Third Avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-first Street. The prizes have been donated by Cooperhewitt & Sons and neighboring merchants.

The euchre will be held at Pabst's Coliseum, One Hundred and Tenth Street and Fifth Avenue, on Tuesday evening next. A concert at 8 o'clock will open the entertainment, and after the euchre a reception will be held. Many non-players prizes have been set aside for those who do not participate in the euchre.

The committee, of which John J. Brennan is chairman, also assisted by John H. Gibson and Jesse Watts, as well as Charles Smith of the downtown store, No. 165 Park Row, who is president of the Employees' Association, are very enthusiastic over the affair.

Wilson to Meet "Bully" Sunday. WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—President Wilson and several Cabinet members will probably attend on Monday afternoon a revival service to be held here by Evangelist "Bully" Sunday. Previous to the meeting the President will welcome Sunday and his followers at the White House.

GARRANZA YIELDS; LIFTS OIL EMBARGO

British Embassy Informed That Mexican Leader Makes Partial Modification of Decree.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—A despatch to the British Embassy today from Vera Cruz stated that the Carranza embargo on oil shipments had been partially raised. The message did not clearly state Carranza's concession.

It is believed that that portion of the decree annulled pertains solely to oil exports from Vera Cruz and possibly Tampico, but not to the decree cancelling foreign concessions.

WOMAN SERGEANT AT ARMS.

Miss Effie Leader Named Assistant in Kansas Senate.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 14.—The Kansas Senate today has a woman assistant sergeant at arms for the first time in its history. She is Miss Effie Leader. Lieut.-Gov. Morgan appointed her in recognition of his women constituents.

SEVEN RESCUED AT SEA FROM HULK OF VESSEL

Shipwrecked Men From Schooner John W. Dana, Hurricane Victim, Arrive on Malinche.

Seven seamen rescued at sea from the wreck of the schooner John W. Dana off the Atlantic Coast, Wednesday, arrived here today on the steamship Malinche.

The schooner, a waterlogged derelict, was sighted yesterday about 93 miles north of the Diamond Shoals lightship by the steamer El Alba.

The rescued men said that after leaving Charleston, S. C., a succession of gales was encountered and that Wednesday a northwesterly hurricane, accompanied by tremendous seas, carried away the schooner's fore rigging and deck load of lumber, leaving the waterlogged hull helpless.

The Malinche effected the rescue the next day with great difficulty.

Queen of Spain Has Scarlet Fever.

MADRID, Jan. 14.—Queen Victoria Eugenia of Spain is confined to her apartments with an attack of scarlet fever.

Next Week's Complete Novel in The Evening World

The King of Arcadia

A New York Man's Strange Adventures In the "Big Outdoors" of the West BY FRANCIS LYNDEN

WILL BEGIN MONDAY

FLOODS, FAMINE, COLD THREATEN SURVIVORS OF THE EARTHQUAKE

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ports received from there, now number 4,000. The whole village of Gioja-de-Marsi is reported destroyed. The number of victims there is not yet known. At Collieroso there are twenty-four dead and at Antepedio forty persons were killed.

THOUSANDS OF SOLDIERS DIG- GING OUT VICTIMS.

Rescue and relief work is being pushed with feverish haste in the earthquake stricken districts of Italy. Thousands of soldiers are on the ground and at work digging out and burying the victims and caring for the survivors.

The need of the latter, of whom there are thousands upon thousands, homeless and generally penniless, is urgent, and the people, for the King down, are doing all possible to alleviate their condition. The cold weather, which continues, adds to the terrible suffering, and temporary buildings of wood, being erected as fast as possible to house the homeless.

The list of dead can still only be estimated, but from what is known it is believed that at least 20,000 persons perished and that twice that number were injured. Avezzano, with probably 10,000, and Sora, with 4,000 dead, were the heaviest sufferers. The other victims are credited to the three score or more of towns and villages that felt the effects of the shocks.

Just how severely the Marsica district suffered, in which Avezzano is located, is best told in a terse telegram from Mr. Bagnoli, Bishop of the Marsica region, sent to Pope Benedict. The telegram reads:

"The Marsica diocese has been transformed into a great cemetery. Avezzano, Capella and Paternò razed and almost all inhabitants dead. Ecclesiastics some dead, some wounded. A few villages in the diocese are immune, but generally desolation reigns. It is an immense and distressing catastrophe."

POPE SENDS MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY TO SURVIVORS.

The Pope, in reply to this distressing information, wired the following: "Being the Father of all the faithful, but first of the unfortunate, I am pierced with grief by this immense misfortune. I extend my arms to my unhappy children and am praying for peace for the dead and comfort for the survivors."

More wounded having been brought to the Santa Maria Hospital, which is close to the Vatican, the Pope again visited the patients there to comfort them. To each he gave a medal.

King Victor Emmanuel and the Queen Mother Margherita made the rounds of the hospitals in Rome yesterday, visiting the injured, of whom numbers are arriving hourly.

The American Ambassador, Thomas Nelson Page, will visit the earthquake district today or to-morrow. The Ambassador has agreed with the Mayor, Prince Colonna, that the best way for Americans to participate in the relief of the victims is to do so as private individuals. The kind sympathy, generosity and tact of the Americans, by which they will not infringe on Italy's decision to decline foreign official assistance, though they will still largely contribute as private individuals to alleviate suffering, is causing a profound sentiment of gratitude.

A motor car with the staff from the American Embassy, visited the earthquake district yesterday and witnessed the work of rescue. They saw some of the victims extricated alive from the ruins and also visited the camps where refugees are centered. They gave such help as they could, which was gratefully received. They inquired about the victims and gained the information that there were no Americans among them, although some are said to have claimed American citizenship as they had lived in the United States for a time.

The American automobile was greeted everywhere most cordially. It was the first Embassy to show tangible sympathy by sending its staff to the scenes of desolation.

AMERICAN OFFICER TELLS OF WHAT HE SAW.

Col. George M. Dunn, the American Military Attaché, motored to Avezzano and returned from that place last night. In speaking of what he had seen, he said:

"I never dreamed of such a horrible situation. The whole town is ruined, as every house is down, and only three stables remain intact. Churches, palaces and dwellings have crumbled to the ground. What once were streets are now full of debris to the height of six or seven feet.

"Within a short time the work of rescue will be useless as all those buried under the ruins will be dead. The entire population is extinguished, the people left being dead or wounded in hospitals.

"The dead in the ruins compose the greater percentage of the inhabitants. Over 10,000 were killed at Avezzano alone, while the remainder of the population, about 1,000 persons, are practically all injured. Very few escaped without wounds because every place was collapsed at once and nobody had any chance to run out. Thus the catastrophe is worse than that of Messina, as it occurred within thirty seconds."

Col. Dunn said that Avezzano was now provided with all kinds of supplies and that the attention of relief parties must be turned to the smaller and less accessible villages.

The railway service is now running regularly to the earthquake districts and on their return each train is

filled with wounded, most of whom are being transported to Rome, where they are being cared for in a most admirable manner. Prince Colonna, the Mayor, is doing all in his power for the injured. He has been on his feet for over fifty hours and is giving a splendid example of tireless activity. The ladies of the aristocracy, including some Americans by birth, have taken their places in the hospitals and are helping to nurse the injured.

AMBASSADOR'S WIFE HEADS COMMITTEE TO HELP.

A committee of American ladies has been formed to help in the relief of the sufferers. It is headed by Mrs. Page, wife of the American Ambassador, and includes the other ladies of the embassy. This committee will work in conjunction with the general committee of Italian ladies, which is headed by the wife of Premier Salandra.

The goods collected by the Americans will be distributed under the direction of the general committee. The Rev. Walter Lowrie, formerly of Newport, who knows the earthquake district thoroughly, has gone to the scene and will report to the committee where help is most needed. Mrs. Page has contributed \$500 to the relief fund.

One hundred persons were crushed to death in a church at Castelliri while attending a funeral service. The village of Bocorecote was totally destroyed and the population is today homeless. Soldiers searching the ruins of a church at Sora found the bodies of twenty nuns who had been crushed to death while in front of the altar in the act of receiving communion.

The Director of the Observatory at Rome declared yesterday that the shock of Jan. 13 was twice as severe as the quake which destroyed Messina. On Wednesday all the observatory instruments were broken.

MRS. VANDERBILT'S HURT DECLARED NOT SERIOUS

Will Recover Quickly From Wound in Face Inflicted by Piece of Flying Pipe, Says Doctor.

Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, the younger, whose face was cut by a fragment of metal pipe that flew into her carriage at Fifth Avenue and Fifty-ninth Street yesterday, was not seriously injured. Dr. Austin Flint Jr. of No. 523 Park Avenue said today:

"The cut in Mrs. Vanderbilt's face was two and a half inches long, but not deep, and I did not find it necessary to close the wound with stitches. Mrs. Vanderbilt will be out in a few days," Dr. Flint said.

The Vanderbilt carriage was standing in front of the Hotel Netherlands. Workmen for the Deagon Contracting Company were breaking up a long ten-inch gas pipe with sledge hammers opposite the hotel. Suddenly a fragment of the pipe shot across the street, entered the carriage window and struck Mrs. Vanderbilt under the right eye.

RECORD FOR ARMY AIRMAN.

Lieut. Byron G. Jones Stays in the Clouds Almost Nine Hours.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 14.—Lieut. Byron G. Jones, army aviator, is today the holder of a new record for continuous flight. He remained in the air eight hours and fifty-three minutes. The former record was held by Lieut. Powers, naval aviator.

ACID IN STOMACH SOURS THE FOOD

Says Excess of Hydrochloric Acid is Cause of Indigestion.

A well-known authority states that stomach trouble and indigestion is nearly always due to acidity—acid stomach—and not, as most folks believe, from a lack of digestive juices. He states that an excess of hydrochloric acid in the stomach retards digestion and starts food fermentation, then our meals sour like garbage in a can, forming acid fluids and gases which inflate the stomach like a toy balloon. We then get that heavy, lumpy feeling in the chest, we eructate sour food, belch gas, or have heartburn, flatulence, water-brash or nausea.

He tells us to lay aside all digestive aids and instead get from any pharmacy four ounces of Jad Salts. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast while it is effecting, and furthermore to continue this for one week. While relief follows the first dose, it is important to neutralize the acidity, remove the gas-making cause, start the liver, stimulate the kidneys and thus promote a free flow of pure digestive juices.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and sodium phosphate. This harmless salt is used by thousands of people for stomach trouble with excellent results.—Adv.

DIED.

DONALDSON.—At Rockaway Beach, MARGARET M'KAY, wife of Andrew A. Donaldson, died Jan. 14.

Funeral services Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

SHENK.—On Jan. 13, FLORENCE SHENK, native of Inchibur, Waterbury, Conn.

Kerry, Ireland, beloved brother of Mrs. Gleason, Ellen, Catherine, Nora and Timothy Shenk.

Funeral from his late residence, 445 Washington St., Sunday, 1:30 P. M. Interment Calvary Cemetery.

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